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FOR SCS GISE FROM MCLENDON

E.O. 11652: NA
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SUBJECT: VITAMINS FOR AMERICAN PRISONERS IN MEXICO

REF: WARD-CALDERHEAD TELECON, AUGUST 5

1. ON AMBASSADOR'S FIRST VISIT TO AMERICAN PRISONERS, ON JULY 26 AT SANTA MARTA, PRISONERS RAISED CONCERN THAT SUPPLY OF VITAMINS OBTAINED BY EMBASSY FROM PRIVATE DONORS WAS IRREGULAR AND NOT AVAILABLE TO ALL PRISONERS. AS GESTURE OF GOOD FAITH AND TO CARRY US THROUGH TRANSITION PERIOD UNTIL (EMDAP) NEW DIETARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM CAN BE IMPLEMENTED, AMBASSADOR PROPOSES TO PURCHASE SUPPLY OF VITAMINS SUFFICIENT FOR ALL AMERICAN PRISONERS IN MEXICO FOR TWO MONTHS.

2. A LOCAL PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY, PFIZER LABORATORIES, CAN PROVIDE EMBASSY WITH MULTI-VITAMIN CAPSULES AT TWENTY PESOS PER THIRTY-CAPSULE BOTTLE. TOTAL COST FOR TWO MONTHS' SUPPLY FOR EACH OF THE NEARLY 600 AMERICAN PRISONERS IN MEXICO WOULD BE ABOUT U.S. \$1,082.

3. EMBASSY AND CONSULAR OFFICERS, IN DELIVERING VITAMINS TO PRISONERS, WOULD NOT IDENTIFY VITAMINS AS BEING UNCLASSIFIED

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PROVIDED UNDER EMDAP AND WOULD AVOID ANY COMMITMENT TO CONTINUE ASSISTANCE IN THIS FORM. WE PROPOSE TO DESCRIBE PROVISION OF VITAMINS AS A ONE-TIME MEASURE INTENDED TO ASSIST PRISONERS IN MEXICO DURING PERIOD WHILE IMPLEMENTATION OF EMDAP IS BEING WORKED OUT.

4. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION OF FUNDS ASAP. LUCEY

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